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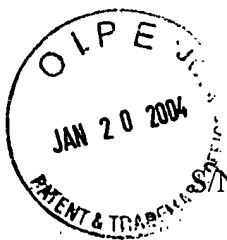
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is not provided because it was previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent application, U.S. Serial No. 09/669,279 filed on September 26, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,631,875 B1. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(i). U.S. Patent No. 6,631,875 B1 is not enclosed as this application was filed after June 30, 2003.

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.


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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
A	ADC Telecommunications brochure entitled "FiberGuide® Fiber Management Systems," 33 pages, dated October, 1995.	
B	Warren & Brown & Staff brochure pages entitled "lightpaths," Issue 2, 11 pages, dated 1995.	
C	ADC Telecommunications brochure entitled "Fiber Guide™ Fiber Management System," 6 pages, dated June, 1989.	
D	ADC Telecommunications brochure entitled "ADC FiberGuide® System Express Exit™ 2x2," 2 pages, dated 5/99.	
E	ADC Telecommunications brochure entitled "FiberGuide® Fiber Management Systems," 37 pages, dated 6/98.	

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